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NATIONAL WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
PUNNULAL MOHALE

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the areas included in the National Watershed Development Project for rainirrigated land during the last three years in the country particularly in Chhattisgarh;

(b) the details of the total amount spent on the said project in the country particularly in Chattisgarh during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the funds earmarked for the said purpose in the current financial year?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The areas included in the National Watershed Development Project for rainirrigated land during the last two years in the country i.e. 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 are 6.39 lakhs ha. and 5.46 lakhs ha respectively. For the Chattisgarh State, the areas included for the last three years i.e. 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 are 30,000 ha, 22,500 ha. and 17,500 ha. respectively.

(b): The details of the total amount spent on the said project in the country for the two years i.e. 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 are Rs.215.32 crores and Rs.173.97 crores respectively. The same for Chattisgarh state for the last three years i.e. 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 are Rs.9.61 crores, Rs.7.89 crores and Rs.6.11 crores respectively.

(c): National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Areas (NWDPRA) was being implemented as independent Centrally Sponsored Scheme till November 2000, after which it has been subsumed under Macro-management Mode of operation. The funds earmarked by the State of Chattisgarh for the programme, in the current financial year i.e. 2002-2003 are Rs.7.95 crores.